



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Paul (nmi) Klocek, et al.
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Examiner: Hemang Sanghavi
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SWITCHING OPTICAL
SIGNALS WITH A PHOTON BAND GAP DEVICE

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Dear Sir:

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2003, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider the rejection of the claims in view of the following amendments and remarks. Please amend the Application as follows.